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The Honorable George B. Nielson
U.S. Bankruptcy Court
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DISTRICT OF ARIZONA

RE: Charles Thomas Brown d/b/a Tom Brown Preferred Trust Company
No. B97-14228 PHX-GBN Adv. 99-00746
Your Honor,

With all due respect, I feel the investors in this case are currently as much on trial as was Tom Brown. The efforts of the trustee to collect money that was received years ago, and in most cases *spent* years ago, makes me feel we are all victims of a desperate maneuver to acquire money to pay the legal bills.

Tax returns are being requested in those cases where counter offers to settlement amounts have been made. This undeserved additional consequence of attorneys having access to investors' financial records is chilling. Will our bank statements next be under investigation? Our investment portfolios? Along with Brown's unconscionable fraud, we are now victimized by what feels like unlimited access to personal information.

I am unable to speak to the law the trustee acts upon, only the devastation and emotional insecurities of those who are angry, fearful, and already victimized. I have been contacted by many of the investors whose fears have escalated with the threat of a law suit, and the outraged confusion of how re-victimization could be taking place at all. *It is unreasonable for additional burdens to be placed on the shoulders of investors who have already lost so much.*

I strongly object to the use of the section in bankruptcy code that would allow the trustee to squeeze additional funds from the investors. This process does not appear to be in the best interest of the investors, nor the U.S. Bankruptcy court, and the trustee it has appointed.

Your Honor, I am asking that you consider my strong objection within this case, whose victims, having originally acted in good faith, are now being further penalized.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,



Karen Wacker, Investor